



# Handy-NEWS & NOTES



April 2008

## APRIL 1, 2008 Election Day!

Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> is Election Day.  
Polls open at 7am and close at  
8pm. Exercise your rights and  
VOTE!



## 2008 WIL-O-WAY SUMMER CAMP Applications Available!

Easter Seals Kindcare and Milwaukee County Office for Person's with Disabilities are proud to announce the 2008 Wil-O-Way and Respite Camp applications are available now for download at [www.eastersealskindcaresewi.com](http://www.eastersealskindcaresewi.com) or call 414-482-0133 for a mailed copy. New this summer we are featuring an inclusive camp setting at our Holler Park Location. Holler Park features a heated outdoor swimming pool for daily swimming, indoor and outdoor program areas, weekly field trips and visits from special instructors who teach Yoga and Pet Therapy. For more information about this camp opportunity, please contact Jessie at 414-482-0133.

## SUMMER CAMP JOBS AVAILABLE!!!

Are you looking for a rewarding summer job? Easter Seals Kindcare is now hiring staff for our 2008 Summer Camp season. If you have a love for the outdoors and all the other great things about summer as well as the desire for a unique employment experience, please contact Tracey Ralenkotter at 414-482-0133 or visit the website at [www.eastersealskindcaresewi.com](http://www.eastersealskindcaresewi.com). Available positions include Camp Leaders, Camp Site Supervisors, CNA's, LPN's, Pool Maintenance/Grounds Personnel and Behavior Specialists.

## YMCA CAMP MATAWA

YMCA Camp Matawa is Residential Summer Camp Program and we are looking for volunteers for Summer 2008. We run an inclusive program that strides to meet the needs of all children including those with special needs. It is our hope that volunteers would come for one or two weeks at a time during the summer to assist us with some of our campers that have special needs. The

summer camp season is June 22 - August 15. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information please contact: Scott Frein, Program Director (262) 626-2149 Ex 6204 or visit our web site [www.matawa.org](http://www.matawa.org).

## CAREGIVER'S CORNER

"My dad seems to be much more forgetful these days."

"That's tough. Do you think it's Alzheimer's?"

"I don't know..."

Symptoms such as memory loss, while they may indeed be signs of Alzheimer's, can be caused by a number of different things. This month's caregiver tip deals with seeking a correct diagnosis of your care receiver's ailments.

If an older adult you know is suffering from increased memory loss (and/or may have other symptoms, such as sadness, loss of appetite, persistent pessimism, difficulty making decisions, lack of energy and disturbed sleep), it could be depression. There are a number of places to obtain tests to help diagnose what's going on. Here at the Family Caregiver Support Network, we have copies of a depression screening test we can mail to you. A test can also be found online at <http://www.nutritionaltest.com/freealzheimer.html> or you can contact the Alzheimer's Association (<http://www.alz.org/sewi/>). You should also discuss your concerns with the older adult's physician (or a geriatric specialist).

Caregiving can be a difficult task, but it can made much easier with a correct diagnosis of your care receiver's condition.

'Caregiver's Corner' is contributed by the Family Caregiver Support Network of Interfaith Older Adult Programs, Inc., 414-220-8600, 800-449-4481



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## SOCIAL SECURITY UPDATES

By Karyl Richson  
Social Security Public Affairs Specialist in Milwaukee

### EIGHT FOR 2008: FASCINATING FACTS ABOUT SOCIAL SECURITY

Here are eight interesting facts about Social Security for 2008.

1. In 2008, about 50 million Americans will receive Social Security benefits — that's roughly TWICE the number of people who live in the cities of New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Houston, Philadelphia, Phoenix, San Antonio, San Diego and Dallas combined.

2. The nation's first baby-boomer begins collecting Social Security retirement benefits in February 2008 ... and over the next 20 years another 78 million baby boomers will be eligible to apply for benefits, too. That's an average of more than 10,000 people applying for benefits every day!

3. About 70 percent of private sector workers have no long-term disability insurance — but nearly all workers and their families have Social Security protection in the event of a long-term disability.

4. The average monthly Social Security survivors insurance benefit for a widow or widower with two dependent children is about \$2,243 per month — which for most workers is more than the value of their private life insurance.

5. More than 3 million children under age 18 get Social Security benefits — as survivors of deceased workers, or as the children of people receiving retirement or disability benefits.

6. Approximately 442 million Social Security numbers have been issued since 1936 — but there are approximately 1 billion possible Social Security number combinations with the nine-digit number, so there are plenty more to go around.

7. Social Security offices are VERY busy. Nearly 42 million people visit a Social Security office each year. Another 60 million call our nationwide toll-free telephone service each year at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-

0778). In addition, about 48 million people visit our Internet website at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov).

8. By 2032, there will be almost twice as many older Americans as today — growing from 38 million today to 72 million.

If you find these facts interesting and would like to know more about any aspect of the Social Security programs, you can visit our website at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov).

## VOLUNTEER!

Individuals with disabilities can get involved in their community and receive assistance with transportation costs at the same time by volunteering through the D.O.O.R.S. Initiative at the Volunteer Center of Greater Milwaukee! There are a number of different opportunities available. For more information on the D.O.O.R.S. Initiative, please contact Lisa Anderson @ 414-344-3933 ext. 125 or [Landerson@nonprofitcentermilwaukee.org](mailto:Landerson@nonprofitcentermilwaukee.org).

## CRAFTERS NEEDED!

Hey Crafters.....Are you willing to share your talents and showcase them for school children? RSVP Volunteer Program will host Intergenerational Fairs at several different Milwaukee Public Schools. You can participate in all of them or just one. Any craft, hobby or collection that an elementary student might find interesting will be considered. Past demonstrations have included: wood carving, stained glass, bee keeping, calligraphy, antique kitchen gadgets, stamp displays and more. There is a special interest in finding someone willing to share ethnic crafts with the children. Call Dana to learn more 414-220-8654.

## LOOKING FOR A HALL?

Are you looking for a hall for your next function? Would you like to rent a beautiful hall in a woodsy setting near you? If you answered yes, please use the link below (or call Bridget @ 414-278-3938) to check out the Wil-O-Way Grant and Wil-O-Way Underwood facilities. They may be just what you're looking for. But hurry, the 2008 calendar is filling up fast.

<http://county.milwaukee.org/FacilityRentals7997.htm>

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## ACCESS PROGRAMS

### Milwaukee Repertory Theater

*Theater that Transcends the Senses*

Milwaukee Repertory Theater announces Access Programs for the Quadracci Powerhouse Theater production of *THE NIGHT IS A CHILD*, and the Stiemke Theater Production of *ENDGAME*.

To accommodate patrons who are deaf or hard-of-hearing: **Sign Language performances.** One performance of each Quadracci Powerhouse Theater and Stiemke Theater production is interpreted in American Sign Language. Order your tickets by calling The Rep Ticket Office at 414-224-9490 and inform them that you need to sit in the interpreted section.

#### THE NIGHT IS A CHILD, April 10, 2008, 7:30pm

**Captioned Theater** involves lines from the script running concurrently with the actors' lines are projected on the house left wall of the theater. When ordering your ticket, please alert the Ticket Office that you would like to sit in the Captioned section. This is perfect for those with a slight to a profound hearing loss.

#### THE NIGHT IS A CHILD, April 13, 2008, 2:00pm

To accommodate patrons who are visually impaired:

**Audio Description** is a concise narration of the key visual elements of a theatrical performance. Descriptions are woven in between lines of dialogue enabling people who are blind or have a low vision to follow the action. Using a headset attached to a small hand-held receiver, patrons hear a live, real-time description of the action on stage. Call William Newcomb at (414) 290-0717 to reserve your receiver.

#### END GAME, April 3, 2008, 7:30pm

#### END GAME, April 6, 2008, 7:00pm

#### THE NIGHT IS A CHILD, April 8, 2008, 7:30pm

Throughout the run of any Milwaukee Repertory Theater productions, general Access Programs offered include: written script synopsis, audio script synopsis, large print programs, infrared listening system, and wheelchair accessibility. For more information on any of these

programs, please call William Newcomb at (414) 290-0717.

## NEW HORIZONS UN-LIMITED INVITES YOU! -

### Accessible Cabins Dedications and Openings - Wisconsin State Parks

The following Accessible Cabins will be free and open to the public for their Open House. Check in at their Park Office for a day pass. Tour the new accessible cabins! Explore the new accessible paths! Join us for the dedications and refreshments!

If there are more than 30 in your party, please RSVP the individual State Park listed below before the Open House. Be sure to dress appropriate for the state park and the weather, as activities will be outdoors.

#### April 12, 2008

Richard Bong State Recreation Area  
26313 Burlington Road, Kansasville, Wisconsin  
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10 am – Dedication at the Amphitheater, If it rains -  
Molinaro Nature Center  
11 am - Shelter #3 for Food & Music  
- Shuttle to Cabin in groups of 20

#### April 25, 2008

Kohler-Andrae State Parks  
1020 Beach Park Lane, Sheboygan, Wisconsin  
(920) 421-4082

1-3 pm - Cabin Open House  
3 pm - Dedication at Cabin  
3:30-4:30 pm - Social, Refreshments  
Sanderling Nature Center

For more information, contact us at: New Horizons Un-Limited Inc., 811 E. Wisconsin Ave, Suite 937, Milwaukee, WI 53202, Questions? Call 414-299-0124. Visit us on the web: [www.new-horizons.org](http://www.new-horizons.org)

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## YOUTH LEADERSHIP SUMMIT IndependenceFirst & WI FACETS Summer 2008

The Youth Leadership Summit is a week-long gathering of Milwaukee and surrounding area high school students with disabilities that is held in the summer. Participants learn about independent living topics such as conflict resolution, college and employment issues, money management, disability rights, healthy & safe relationships and more. Participants have the opportunity to meet, socialize, brainstorm, and participate in activities with youth with disabilities from other area high schools, hear from panelists of college providers, employment agencies and other successful community young people. The summit includes breakfast and lunch each day, travel reimbursement options and a \$100 stipend for participating in the entire program. The Youth Leadership Summit is a great way to meet others, learn about independent living and talk about issues affecting young persons with disabilities who are making the transition from high school to "the real world".

The Youth Leadership Summit 2008 will be held twice:  
**June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> AND July 28<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup>**

*For more information or for an application, call: Alie Kriofske Mainella at 414-226-8112. Accommodations must be requested 3 weeks prior to the Forum*

## HAPPENINGS @ BOERNER BOTANICAL GARDENS

Growing Gardeners / Green Thumbs (Ages 3 - 5 / 6 - 8)

**Flutter by Butterfly** - April 5 and 7

Discover how butterflies help our flowers grow & learn more about these colorful garden creatures. Create a habitat that will attract butterflies.

*Cost: \$12.50 per child. No refunds or substitutions. Programs begin at 10:30 am and are one hour. Classes are held in the Boerner Botanical Gardens Education and Visitor Center. Class consists of a botanical theme, hands-on projects and a snack. Most classes involve some "messy" work so children should wear clothing that*

*is appropriate. Classes are designed for adult(s) to attend with their child(ren). Class sizes are limited, pre-registration is required.*

Call or e-mail to register: Phone: 414-525-5675, Email: [scheduling@fbbq.org](mailto:scheduling@fbbq.org)

## DONATED DENTAL SERVICES

Donated Dental Services (DDS) is a program directed at those people who are unable to afford needed dental care because of a limited income which is clearly linked to a permanent disability, chronic illness or advanced age (65 or over). All the information pertaining to the applicant's need is based on a completed application and a phone interview done by the referral coordinator. Dentists have agreed to volunteer their services to 1-2 patients a year. Each volunteer dentist decides for him/herself whether to formally accept a person based on meeting the person and assessing his or her dental needs. The referral coordinator is available to help the volunteers with such matters as a referral to a specialist, and securing donated laboratory services should a patient need services with lab related needs.



Four-hundred and seventy-three members of the Wisconsin Dental Association (WDA) donated more than \$3 million in services to more than 1,200 disabled, senior, poor, and uninsured state residents between April 1998 and December 2006 through Donated Dental Services (DDS), a partner program between the WDA and the State of Wisconsin. The program is affiliated with the Wisconsin Dental Foundation.

For more information about Donated Dental Services, please contact <http://www.wda.org>.

You can also contact Julie Wilk at 888-338-6852 or [jwilk@wda.org](mailto:jwilk@wda.org).

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## ANNUAL SAILOR'S BALL RAISES THOUSANDS FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH

*Milwaukee Community Sailing Center Event Recognizes Paralympic Sailor & Outstanding Youth*

The Milwaukee Community Sailing Center (MCSC) held its 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Sailors Ball on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 at the Italian Community Center, raising more than \$30,000 for its community outreach programs. All proceeds from the event support the Sailing Center's efforts to engage Milwaukee's urban, working class and minority youth, as well as the physically challenged, in innovative sailing experiences that build character and promote a healthy spirit, mind and body.

"We are so thankful for all the donations, sponsorships and support we saw this year," said Barbara Velez, development director of MCSC. "Our programs have proved that learning to sail helps children develop leadership skills, self-reliance and self-confidence. The money raised at the Sailor's Ball enables us to continue to have a positive impact on Milwaukee's urban youth."

Nearly 300 were in attendance at this year's Sailor's Ball, which included a silent auction, traditional American and Key West fare, entertainment from Michael Drake and the No Tan Lines Band, and a brief program in honor of MCSC's most noteworthy sailors. More than 220 nautical, dining and leisure packages were collected for the silent auction, with winning bids ranging from \$19 to \$2,400. The auction alone raised nearly \$17,000.

This year's event was chaired by MCSC Board Members RC Zingler and Helen "Cookie" Mueller. Zingler was one of the original members of MCSC when it was founded in 1977 and Mueller currently serves as the board president.

Each year, MCSC recognizes one of its sailors with a Sailor of the Year award, symbolizing exemplary courage and perseverance in the face of adversity. The



2008 Sailor of the Year award was given to paralympic sailor John Ruf of Pewaukee, Wis. Ruf experienced a paralyzing injury in 1998, but even his injury was not enough to take the wind out of his sails. Ruf turned to paralympic sailing, and his determination has led him to represent the United States in September 2008 at the Paralympic Games in Qingdao, China.

The Sailor's Ball also recognizes exceptional youth sailors with its Outstanding Youth Achievement award, given to MCSC students who have demonstrated immense self-development through their sailing accomplishments. This year's award was presented to 15-year old Phyllis Hand, a student at Inland Seas for expeditionary Learning. In the three and a half years that Phyllis has been participating in MCSC programs, she has seen an incredible improvement in her grades, attitude and self-worth – all of which were praised at the Sailor's Ball.

The Sailor's Ball supports the many nationally recognized programs that MCSC offers to at-risk youth, the financially disadvantaged and individuals with special needs. MCSC has introduced thousands of adults and children to sailing, with many becoming life-long sailors and boat owners.

The Milwaukee Community Sailing Center provides meaningful programs to experience Lake Michigan sailing that engage all members of the community regardless of their age, cultural or racial background, or financial status. Programs are tailored to meet the needs and interests of a diverse population – adults, youths and persons with disabilities, with a focus on innovative and character-building learning experiences. Participants will discover hidden abilities to broaden their life skills and self-development including self-reliance, teamwork, problem-solving and leadership skills. For more information, visit [www.sailingcenter.org](http://www.sailingcenter.org) or 414-277-9094.

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### APRIL PROMOTIONS

- 4 - Opening Day  
Brewers 2008 Magnetic Schedule
- 6 - Prince Fielder Bobble Head
- 9, 23 - Valvoline Instant Oil Change Special Coupon
- 26 - Brewers Kids Police Baseball Card Set
- 23-27 - Five County Five Day Celebration  
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# SAIL AWAY SUMMER!

## Six Dates Available Hoyer Lift available

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### Available Dates Time\*

June 20	9:30am-Noon	or	1:00pm-3:30pm
July 11	9:30am-Noon		
July 18	9:30am-Noon	or	1:00pm-3:30pm
August 1	9:30am-Noon	or	1:00pm-3:30pm
August 12	9:30am-Noon	or	1:00pm-3:30pm
August 14	9:30am-Noon	or	1:00pm-3:30pm

\*You should plan to arrive ½ hour before sail time

Any person with a disability, their family and friends are invited. Due to the popularity of this free opportunity we must **limit the number of reservations for up to 5 people for individuals or 10 for organizations**. You may request additional dates and will be put on the waiting list in case of cancellations or if we receive additional dates.

The Sailing Center has installed a **Hoyer lift** for people who have difficulty transferring. All sailors must have some upper body strength needed to duck when the boom comes about.

The boat we will be using is an Ensign and can accommodate up to five sailors. (See above). There is no charge for the sail. Reservations are required and will be accepted on a first come, first served basis beginning Wednesday, April 3. To be fair to everyone, no reservations will be accepted before April 3. Please call Bridget at 414-278-3938 or email [bbannon@milwcnty.com](mailto:bbannon@milwcnty.com) .

**Warning:** *This program is very popular so make sure to contact us promptly when reservations are being accepted.*



# Milwaukee County - Department of Health & Human Services

## 2008 SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDCARE PROGRAM

Classes held at Marcia P. Coggs Human Service Center: 1220 W. Vliet Street, in Room 104. ENTRANCE THROUGH BACK DOOR.

Parents can attend for **FREE!** See payment instructions below. If you have questions, call Ann or Barbara at **414-289-6558**.

DATE	CLASS	DESCRIPTION
<b>April 2</b> 5:45pm - 7:45pm	<b>Understanding Children's Development Using the Ages &amp; Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)</b> Christine Aguilar, H.E.L.P., La Causa	Learn about the ASQ and how to assess a child's development to see if further evaluation is needed. Discuss how to make referrals and to assist families in accessing services.
<b>April 9</b> 5:45pm - 7:45pm	<b>Challenging Behaviors</b> Tom Gross, M.A., Milwaukee Center for Independence	What are the techniques that can help you to care for children with challenging behaviors? Learn how to pick your battles.
<b>May 7</b> 5:45pm - 7:45pm	<b>Caring for Yourself: How Childcare Professionals can avoid stress</b> Dr. Maureen Keyes, UW-Milwaukee	Caring for children can be stressful. Learn how to keep a positive attitude and to take care of yourself to optimize your abilities on the job.
<b>May 10</b> 9:30am - 11:30am	<b>Autism Spectrum Disorder</b> Jennifer Piette, Autism Consultant	Learn more about Autism and the various spectrum disorders. Learn best practices in caring for a child with this disorder.
<b>May 14</b> 5:45pm - 7:45pm	<b>Recognizing Communication and Language Disorders in Child Care</b> Dr. Paula Rhyner, UW- Milwaukee	A focus on identifying children within childcare settings who may be having difficulties in speech/language development and strategies providers can use to foster communication and language skills will be discussed. Suggestions for approaching parents to raise concerns presented.
<b>June 4</b> 5:45pm - 7:45pm	<b>Sensory Integration</b> Terri Enters, Lutheran Social Services- Birth to three	What is sensory Integration? Learn how a lack of sensory integration through touch, sound, and movement can lead to behavior problems and difficulty with coordination. Learn techniques to avoid behavior challenges
<b>June 7</b> 9:30am - 11:30am	<b>Understanding Spina Bifida</b> Katherine Krahling Spina Bifida Association	What is Spina Bifida? Learn the most common types of SB, how Folic Acid factors into the disorder along with Latex precautions, allergies and other therapies.
<b>June 11</b> 5:45pm - 7:45pm	<b>Using your Regional Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs</b> Vanessa Llanas, Children's Hospital - S.E. Regional Center for Children & Youth with Special Health Care Needs	What is the Regional Center and how is it a resource to me? Staff from the Southeast Regional Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) will discuss services they provide to families of children with special needs in Southeast Wisconsin. They promote the Medical Home concept and how parents can work with their health care providers to build a partnership and promote continuity of care.

Pre-registration fee is \$10.00/Late payment fee is \$15.00. Mail fee and completed form to: Coggs Center Business Office: 1220 W. Vliet Street, Milw. WI 53205. Accepted forms of payment: money order or certified bank check made out to DHHS. NO PERSONAL CHECKS. The Business Office will accept cash from 7:30am-4:00pm. The fees for each class are non-refundable/non-transferable unless class cancels. No payments accepted at class.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Child care name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address to mail certificate: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Last 5 digits of Social Security #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

I am a Parent/family member of a child with special needs attending for free (do not receive a certificate): YES ☐

I am an Employee: \_\_\_\_\_ I am an Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ PROVIDER # \_\_\_\_\_

**CLASS NAMES:**

**DATES:**

Need interpreter or special accommodation: Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Necesito interprete en Espanol: Si\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Pide 3 dias antes para un interprete.

Kuv Xav tau ib tug hmoub tuaj txais: xau tau \_\_\_\_ tsis xau tau \_\_\_\_ You tias xau tau ib tug neeg hmoob tuaj txais lus yuau tau hais ua ntej li peb hnub mas thiaj li tau.

\*Go to website for class updates and registration forms: **[www.milwaukee.gov/sncc](http://www.milwaukee.gov/sncc)**



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Ray Carney    Home: 262-784-5680    Cell: 262-412-6867  
Brookfield, WI



# Independence *First*

*The Resource For People With Disabilities*

Contact: Cindi Pichler

Telephone: 414-291-7520 V/TTY

E-mail: [cpichler@independencefirst.org](mailto:cpichler@independencefirst.org)

## **ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE FAIR & USED EQUIPMENT DRIVE**

**WHEN:** MAY 16-17, 2008 from 10 AM to 5 PM.

**WHERE:** STATE FAIR PARK EXPO CENTER, 8200 W. Greenfield Ave., West Allis, WI

**COST:** FREE & Open to the Public (Fee for Parking)

Discover the latest in products and services designed to assist people with disabilities & aging adults! The two-day event will feature equipment demos, educational programming, a recycled medical equipment drive & showcase local resources that provide assistive technology products that help people maintain their independence & improve their quality of life.

### **Workshops on Friday on:**

Seating & Mobility Considerations

Digital Technology for Literacy & Cognitive Devices

Adaptive Transportation

Work Smart: Workplace Solutions

WisLoan & Telework Loans for Assistive Devices

Augmentative Communication

Resources for Hearing Loss

Live Smart: Solutions for Daily Living

Resources for Vision Loss

### **Vendors include:**

Mobility Products—Wheelchairs, Scooters, Vehicle Adaptation

Hearing Loss & Communication Devices

Products for Vision Loss

Products to Aid in Daily Living Activities, Bathroom Accessories & **Much More!**

**Wheelchair Recycling Program Drive:** Donate used wheelchairs and other assistive equipment onsite. This equipment will be refurbished & recycled for low income adults with disabilities.

**Preregistration is required in order to attend a workshop.** For more information or to register contact Cindi Pichler at [cpichler@independencefirst.org](mailto:cpichler@independencefirst.org) or 414-291-7520 v/tty.

A Nonprofit Event Co-Sponsored by Independence *First*, Post-Polio Resource Group of Southeastern Wisconsin & University of Wisconsin-Stout Assistive Technology Resource Center

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# Internal Revenue Service

## United States Department of the Treasury

## Economic Stimulus Payments Information Center

Starting in May, the Treasury will begin sending economic stimulus payments to more than 130 million households. To receive a payment, taxpayers must have a valid Social Security number, \$3,000 of income and file a 2007 federal tax return. IRS will take care of the rest. Eligible taxpayers will receive between \$300 to \$600 if single or \$600 to \$1,200 if married filing jointly. Millions of retirees, disabled veterans and low-wage earners who usually are exempt from filing a tax return must do so this year in order to receive a stimulus payment.

But there are more details to know about. Find out more here and visit this page regularly for the latest updates.

### Index

[The Basics](#) | [Scenarios](#) | [Frequently Asked Questions](#)  
[Social Security](#) | [Veterans Benefits](#) | [Scam Alert](#)  
[News Releases, Audio, Fact Sheets and Legal Guidance](#)

### The Basics

Need some quick and basic information? We have it for you right here.

- [Basic Information on the Stimulus Payments](#)
- [IR-2008-18](#), IRS Will Send Stimulus Payments Automatically Starting in May; Eligible Taxpayers Must File a 2007 Tax Return to Receive Rebate
- [FS-2008-15](#), Facts about the 2008 Stimulus Payments
- [IR-2008-21](#), More Information on Stimulus Payments Posted to IRS.gov; New Details for Recipients of Social Security, Veterans Benefits
- [IR-2008-28](#), Special Economic Stimulus Letters Reach Mailboxes in March

### Stimulus Payment Scenarios

What does it look like for you?

- [Married with Qualifying Children](#)
- [Married without Qualifying Children](#)
- [Married Filing Separately, with or without Qualifying Children](#)
- [Single \(Head of Household\) with Qualifying Children](#)
- [Single without Qualifying Children](#)

### Frequently Asked Questions

We have the answers to your questions in [Stimulus Payments: Answers to Frequently Asked Questions](#).



## **Especially for Social Security Recipients**

Many people who receive Social Security benefits are not required to file a tax return. But they need to this year to get the stimulus payment. Many can use the simpler Form 1040A.

Also see:

- [More Information for Recipients of Social Security Benefits](#)
- [Sample of filled-out Form 1040A](#)
- [FS-2008-16](#), Stimulus Payments: Instructions for Low-Income Workers and Recipients of Social Security and Certain Veterans' Benefits
- [Flyer for Social Security Recipients \(PDF\)](#)
- [Notice 2008-28](#), Guidance for people not otherwise required to file a tax return.

## **Especially for Veterans' Benefits Recipients**

Many veterans who receive benefits from Veterans Affairs are not required to file a tax return. But they need to this year to get the stimulus payment. Many can use the simpler Form 1040A.

Also see:

- [More Information for Recipients of Veterans' Benefits](#)
- [Sample of filled-out Form 1040A](#)
- [FS-2008-16](#), Stimulus Payments: Instructions for Low-Income Workers and Recipients of Social Security and Certain Veterans' Benefits.
- [Flyer for VA Benefit Recipients \(PDF\)](#)
- [Notice 2008-28](#), Guidance for people not otherwise required to file a tax return.

## **Rebate Scam Alert**

Be aware that identity thieves are already pushing scams involving the stimulus payments. At least one telephone scam is making the rounds using the proposed rebates as bait. News release [IR-2008-11](#), IRS Warns of New E-Mail and Telephone Scams Using the IRS Name; Advance Payment Scams Starting, has more details.

## **News Releases, Audio Files, Fact Sheets and Legal Guidance**

Check out the complete list of IRS-issued [news releases, audio files, fact sheets and legal guidance](#) related to the stimulus payments.

[Accessibility](#) | [FirstGov.gov](#) | [Freedom of Information Act](#) | [Important Links](#) | [IRS Privacy Policy](#) | [U.S. Treasury](#)



# Internal Revenue Service

## United States Department of the Treasury

IRS TAX TIP 2008-special edition

## **DON'T MISS OUT ON YOUR STIMULUS PAYMENT**

Are you wondering what to do to ensure that you receive your economic stimulus payment which the IRS will begin to send out this May? In most cases you will not have to do anything extra. If you are eligible for a payment, all you have to do is file a 2007 tax return and the IRS will do the rest.

However, recipients of Social Security, certain Veterans' and Railroad Retirement benefits and low-income workers who don't normally need to file may have to take steps to insure receipt of the stimulus payment.

If you are in this group and normally would not be required to file a tax return, you need to file a 2007 tax return this year to receive an economic stimulus payment. The return must show at least \$3000 in qualifying income.

Qualifying income includes Social Security benefits, certain Railroad Retirement benefits, certain veterans' benefits and earned income, such as income from wages, salaries, tips and self-employment. While these people may not be normally required to file a tax return because they do not meet the filing requirement, the IRS emphasizes they must file a 2007 return in order to receive a payment.

The IRS has released a sample version of a Form 1040A that highlights the simple, specific sections of the return that can be filled out by people in these categories to qualify for a stimulus payment.

For more information see IRS Fact Sheet FS 2008-16 Stimulus Payments: Instructions for Low-Income Workers and Recipients of Social Security and Certain Veterans' Benefits available on [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)

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Remember that for the genuine IRS Web site be sure to use .gov. Don't be confused by internet sites that end in .com, .net, .org or other designations instead of .gov. The address of the official IRS governmental Web site is [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

# FREE Income Tax Preparation\*

\*FREE VITA tax preparation service is only available if you earned less than \$45,000 annually.

- **Free E-Filing of your tax return**
- Assistance with the **Earned Income Tax Credit**.
- Assistance with other credits.
- **Opportunity to Receive Your Refund in as few as 7-10 days** with direct deposit and **Refund Splitting**
- Free preparation of **Prior-Years' Tax Returns\***

## **Other services provided:** (subject to eligibility requirements)

- Opportunity to open a **no-charge**, low balance **Checking or Savings Account\***
- Access to **Health Insurance\***
- **Free Food Stamp** prescreening\*
- **Money Management and Credit Repair** workshops\*
- Information about loans for **car purchase or repair(s) from the Ways to Work program\***
- Information on **Energy Assistance\***
- Assistance with the **completion of FAFSA's forms\*\***

\*Super Site locations only

\*\*SDC Richards Street location only

**FREE TAX PREPARATION LOCATIONS are listed on the back.**



**Call (414) 963-2694 or**  
**for more information**  
**or go to [www.cr-sdc.org](http://www.cr-sdc.org)**





# Information for **FREE** Tax Preparation

## WHERE TO GO: January 14 - April 15, 2008

### Milwaukee - North

#### **SDC-Richards** ♦ ♿

4041 N. Richards Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53212  
Mon, Wed & Fri: 9 am - 4:30 pm  
Tue & Thu: 9 am - 6 pm  
Sat: 9 am - 12:30 pm

**Senior citizens served immediately!**

**Site will be closed 3/21/08**

#### **SDC-Teutonia** ♦ ♿

6848 N. Teutonia Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53209  
Mon - Fri: 9 am - 4:30 pm  
Sat: 9 am - 12:30 pm

**Senior citizens served immediately!**

**Site will be closed 3/21/08**

#### **UMOS-Central** ♿

4030 N. 29th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53216  
**Beginning February 5, 2008**

Tue: 9 am - 4 pm

Wed: 9 am - 5:30 pm

**Appointments recommended!**

**414-486-5200**

#### **Maximus - North** ■ ♿

6550 N. 76th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53223  
**Beginning February 20, 2008**  
Wed: 9 am - 6 pm

#### **Silver Spring Neighbor. Ctr.** ■ ♿

5460 N. 64th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53218  
**Beginning February 7, 2008**  
Thu: 12 pm - 4 pm

### Milwaukee - Central

#### **MATC-Downtown** ♿

Room M173  
1015 N. 6th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53223  
(Enter at 6th and Highland)  
**Beginning January 29, 2008**

Tue: 5 pm - 7 pm

Sat: 9 am - 2 pm

**Senior citizens served immediately!**

**Site will be closed 3/22 & 3/25/08**

#### **Aurora Family Services** ♿

3200 W. Highland Boulevard  
Milwaukee, WI 53208  
Tue: 5 pm - 7:30 pm

#### **First Service Credit Union** ■

333 N. 35th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53208  
Sat: 10 am - 1 pm

### Milwaukee - South

#### **SDC-Southside** ♦ ♿

931 W. Madison Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53204  
Mon - Fri: 9 am - 4:30 pm  
Sat: 9 am - 12:30 pm  
**Senior citizens served immediately!**  
**Site will be closed 3/21/08**

#### **MATC-Oak Creek** ♿

6665 S. Howell Avenue  
Oak Creek, WI 53154  
**Beginning January 30, 2008**  
**Ending April 11, 2008**  
Wed: 4 pm - 7 pm  
Sat: 9 am - 12 pm  
**Site closed 3/22, 3/26 & 3/29/08**

#### **Airport Executive Center** ♿

#### **Consumer Credit Counseling Services**

4915 S. Howell Avenue, Suite 102  
Milwaukee, WI 53207  
Thu: 5:30 pm - 8 pm  
Sat: 9 am - 12 pm

#### **UMOS - Chase Avenue** ■ ♿

2701 S. Chase Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53207  
Tue: 8 am - 4:30 pm  
**Except 2/12/08**

#### **Milwaukee Health Dept.** ■ ♿

#### **Southside Health Center**

1639 S. 23rd Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53204  
Fri: 9 am - 4 pm  
**Except 2/8 & 3/21/08**

**Please note: All sites operate on a first come, first served basis except where indicated and reserve the right to end registration when they reach their capacity or when necessary.**

#### ♦ **SUPER SITES**

■ **Supported by the Mobile Team**

♿ **Handicapped Accessible**

## WHAT TO BRING:

- Social Security cards (or ITIN cards) for you, your spouse (if joint return is filed) and all dependents.
- Picture identification.
- **Taxpayers filing a joint return must both be present when the tax returns are prepared. Both spouses must sign a joint tax return**
- All informational statements, including but not limited to:
  - Wages statements - (Form(s) W-2) and 1099;*
  - Interest and Dividend statements - (Form(s) 1099-INT and 1099-DIV);*
  - Mortgage interest statements - (Form(s) 1098);*
  - Pension and Social Security statements - (Form(s) 1099-R and SSA-1099);*
  - Tuition payments statements - (Form(s) 1098-T); and*
  - Property tax receipts for any property taxes paid in 2007.*
- Information about any other sources of income, both taxable and nontaxable, and deductions and expenses you may have such as charitable contributions and child care expenses. If you have childcare expenses please have your childcare providers' taxpayer id number.
- A completed signed rent certificate or copy of your 2007 property tax bill if you are claiming the Wisconsin Homestead credit. You will also need a printout of any Wisconsin Works (W-2) payments, child support, or kinship payments you have received.
- A voided check for a checking account direct deposit or a deposit slip for a savings account direct deposit of your refund. Direct deposit is the fastest way to get your refund.
- A complete copy of your 2006 federal and state income tax returns is helpful but not required.



*Discover how to communicate in sign language...*

## Sign up now for CDHH Summer Classes

**at the Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing**

**10243 W. National Avenue, West Allis**

### ASL I

**Tuesdays, 6:00 PM - 8:30PM**

**June 10 through August 12**

If you've been curious about American Sign Language, here's your chance to learn basic vocabulary, use of expression and finger spelling. Plus you'll be introduced to Deaf culture.

The text *Learning American Sign Language* is recommended. It is available from CDHH for \$54.

A limited number of copies are available for rental for the semester for \$20. Books must be returned in good condition.

### ASL II

**Mondays, 6:00 - 8:30 PM**

**June 9 through August 11**

If you have completed a beginning sign course at CDHH or elsewhere, this class is for you. You will develop vocabulary and basic conversation skills, and learn more about how to interact with Deaf adults.

The text *Learning American Sign Language* is recommended. It is available from CDHH for \$54.

A limited number of copies are available for rental for the semester for \$20. Books must be returned in good condition.

### COMMUNICATING WITH KIDS IN SIGN

**Tuesday evenings (Time TBD)**

**June 10 – July 29**

This sign language class is for *parents, grandparents, relatives, neighbors, babysitters* and *any adult* who needs to communicate in sign language with a young child. The focus is on vocabulary and basic sign language communication used in the day-to-day lives of deaf and hard of hearing infants/toddlers and their families. Your instructor, Tricia Condon, is deaf and has extensive experience working with deaf and hard of hearing children as the Program Assistant for the Kellogg Child and Family Program at CDHH.

**Fee: \$55 (\$45 for each additional family member)**

☐ **Yes!** I would like to attend summer sign classes at the Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (evening): \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Name	Fee	Total
ASL I	\$85 per student / \$54 for book	\$
ASL II	\$85 per student / \$54 for book (same as used in ASL I)	\$
Communicating with Kids in Sign*	\$55.00 for 1 <sup>st</sup> family member / \$45.00 for each add person *Book: <i>Signing for Kids</i> - \$12.00 each	\$
<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED:</b>		\$

**PLEASE LIST NAMES OF ALL CLASS ATTENDEES ON BACK.**

**Class size is limited. All registrations must be received at least one week before start of class.**

**Please call 414-604-2200 (Voice) to register by phone or return this form with payment to:**

**Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing ♦ 10243 W. National Ave. ♦ West Allis, WI 53227**

**(414) 604-2200 VOICE ♦ (888) 742-7651 TTY**

# Wil-O-Way Key Card

## 2008 Application

The Wil-O-Way Key Card is a product of the Milwaukee County Office for Persons with Disabilities and the Wil-O-Way Recreation Program. Membership in the Wil-O-Way Key Card program expands recreational opportunities for persons with disabilities at a reduced or no cost.

*Benefits: \* Access to the Milwaukee County ticket distribution program. \* Receipt of Handy-NEWS & NOTES hard copy. \* Invitation to Milwaukee County recreation and culture special events. \* Information about other low or no cost community recreation events. \* Access to Wil-O-Way programming (Individual members only!).*

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual (\$23)      \_\_\_\_\_ Organization (\$115) – Up to 5 Cards - \_\_\_\_\_ Number Requested

**Please Type or Print.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

DAY PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EVENING PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

DISABILITY: \_\_\_\_\_

FUNCTIONAL LIMITATIONS (i.e., limited walking, scared of heights, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

MOBILITY DEVICES USED: \_\_\_\_\_ Wheelchair    \_\_\_\_\_ Scooter    \_\_\_\_\_ Walker    \_\_\_\_\_ Cane

\_\_\_\_\_ Crutches    \_\_\_\_\_ Long Leg Braces    \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR'S ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to **Milwaukee County Treasurer.**

Please return this application with proper payment to

Wil-O-Way Key Card  
Office for Persons with Disabilities  
901 N. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 307-B  
Milwaukee WI 53233



This form is available in alternate formats.